



# Agri-Land Resources

**A workshop focused on assisting  
Agri-land Owners and Managers**

**Topics include USDA/NRCS Financial & Technical Assistance,  
Urban Agriculture for Small Landowners, Rural Development  
Programs, Carbon Farm Planning In Texas, Natural Infrastructure  
Plan for the Hill Country and more!**

**November 28, 2023**

**2:00 pm – 7:00 pm**

**The Center at Kronkosky Place, 17 Old San Antonio Road,  
Boerne, Texas 78006, (North Side Entrance)**

**FREE Workshop! Pre-Registration REQUIRED  
online by 5:00 pm on November 26, 2023 at [www.alamorcd.org](http://www.alamorcd.org)**

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EVALUATIONS Required at end of event.

- 2:00 pm Sign In & Registration** ~ Peggy Hollin, Alamo RCD Outreach Director.
- 2:30 pm Opening Remarks** ~ Peggy Hollin, Alamo RCD Outreach Director, Topic: Overview of Alamo RCD mission and specifically, Growing Rural Garden Program.
- 3:00 pm Rural Development Programs, An Overview** ~ Betty Soto, Area Specialist for USDA Rural Development, Topic: Providing a general overview of current Rural Development Programs
- 3:30 pm Natural Infrastructure Plan for the Hill Country** ~ Ben Eldredge, Hill Country Alliance Board Member/Cibolo Nature Center Director of Conservation , Topic: Exploring the importance of preserving and stewarding this natural infrastructure, including watersheds, streams and riparian zones, recharge features, and many other elements of the land that support life and well-being in the Hill Country.
- 4:30 pm NRCS Financial and Technical Assistance** ~ Isaac Norris, Urban Conservationist (NRCS), Topic: Discussion on NRCS Assistance with an emphasis on urban/small farms, eligibility, applications, conservation planning & assessment, ranking and operations.
- 5:00 pm Urban Agriculture for Small Landowners** ~ Isaac Norris, Urban Conservationist (NRCS) Topic: An overview of current USDA Programs that assist and promote Urban Agriculture.
- 5:30 pm Carbon Farm Planning in Texas** ~ Elise Haschke, NCAT Climate and Agriculture Program Manager/Senior Manager, Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Communities (SARC), Topic: Conservation planning with a central focus on increasing terrestrial carbon on our agricultural working lands to help plan and plant for resiliency to an increasingly unpredictable climate.
- 6:30 pm to 7:00 pm Evaluations (REQUIRED). Question and Answer, Wrap Up and Closing Remarks** ~ Peggy Hollin, Alamo RCD Outreach Director.

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